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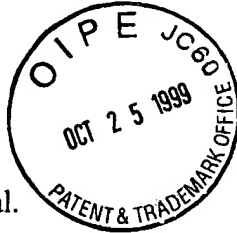
In the application of:

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Serial No.: 08/821,025

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For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION  
OF A GRANULAR MICROBIAL  
BIOMASS AND ISOLATION OF A  
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Examiner: Dr. Irene Marx

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for responding to the Appeal Brief date. This extension will extend the time the response is due from September 9, 1999 to November 9, 1999.

- ☒ A two-month(s) extension is requested; the extension fee is \$380.00.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,218.00 is attached (including the CPA fee).

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The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 251502006900.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 25, 1999

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